

The Daily Courant.

Wednesday, May 16. 1722.

Florence, April 28.

THIS Senate has caused Extracts to be taken from several authentick Records, to prove the Freedom and Independency of this State. It is shewn by one Extract, that in the Year 1531, the Family of Medicis took Possession of this Sovereignty in the following manner . . . The Emperor Charles V. signified to the Senate of Florence, that they should elect Alexander de Medicis for their Great Duke, because in the Year 1530 he married Margareta the Emperor's natural Daughter; adding, that in case of Refusal or Opposition, he would send thither his Army and cause himself to be obeyed. Nevertheless the Florentines, who were at that time divided in two Factions, resisted that Order; upon which, the Emperor sent 3000 Men against them under the Command of the Prince of Orange. The Senate alarmed at this Resolution, immediately dispatched one of their Members to the Imperial Court, where he made their Submissions, and promised to elect Alexander de Medicis, reserving to themselves some Advantages, which were granted; and this among others, That the Florentines should acknowledge Alexander for their Duke, and his Descendants, both in the Male and Female Lines, till the entire Extinction of his Family; and that their Privileges should be confirmed to them: This was approved of by Charles V. and has been so to this Day by his Successors, as likewise by the Popes, who appear in this Case only as Witnesses. By virtue of this Act, the Great Duke insists upon the Disposal of his Dominions in Favour of what Person he shall judge proper, with the good liking nevertheless, and with Agreement of the Republick, whose Concern it is to preserve its ancient Privileges. Upon repeated Advices from Rome, that the Pope was fortifying several Places near Bidacassori, towards the Frontiers of this State, this Court has judged proper to send thither an Engineer and another Officer to examine into that Matter. Frequent Expresses arrive here from Parma, strongly soliciting the Grand Duke to consent to the Prince Don Carlos his coming into Italy, to be brought up after the Customs of this Country. The last Courier that was sent from hence to Vienna, carried an Order to the Grand Duke's Minister at the Imperial Court, to complain of the sending German Troops into the Lunegiana, under Pretence of being desired by the Marquess Malaspina, seeing that Marquess is under the Jurisdiction of the Grand Duke, who would have him give Account of some Proceedings whose Motives have hitherto been kept private. It is believed that the Imperial Court apprehending, and with Reason, that the Spaniards might land Forces in the Gulf of la Spezia, in order to penetrate the Parmesan, the former has therefore taken the Precaution to secure the Marquisate of Treschetto, where 'tis said two other Imperial Regiments are to be sent of the six that are expected in Italy.

Turin, May 9. On Monday the 4th Instant the Santo Sudario was shewn here in a solemn manner. His Sardinian Majesty, and all the Royal Family, in their Robes of State, attended it, with

the Bishops and Clergy, in Procession, to a large Pavilion erected before the Palace; and after a short Sermon it was exposed to the View of a vast Multitude. It is computed, that about 30000 Persons, over and above the Inhabitants of this Place, appeared on this Occasion: And had not the King given a short Warning of but a few Days, to prevent the Confluence of People from remote Parts, for Fear of the Infection, it is thought three times that Number would have come thither. Most of the poorer Sort for want of Lodging, slept the Night before in the Streets under the Shelter of Porticos and Piazzas. The Princess of Piedmont has had some Fits of an Ague, but her Royal Highness is on the Recovery; however, this her Indisposition will, it is thought, delay the Journey of the Court to the Veneria Reale for some Days.

Dresden, May 6. It is assured that upon the Arrival of an Express which is expected here from Poland, the King will begin his Journey thither. All the Regiments are ordered to hold themselves in a marching Readiness, Advices being received that a great Body of Russians are in Motion in Livonia and Lithuania, and it begins to be apprehended the Report of the Czar's Expedition to Astracan may prove only a Feint.

Vienna, May 6. The Festival of the Order of the Cross being solemnized last Week, the Empress Dowager Emelia created 20 new Ladies of that Order with the usual Ceremonies; the same Day the Pope's Nuncio Sig. Grimaldi performed the Morning and Evening Services appointed to that Festival: The Princess de Lubomirski was the only Princess received into this Order at this last Creation. The Emperor signified last Week, that he had ordered the Count de Lobentz, Chief of the Country of Crain, to be sent for to Court, in order to his being made Great Marshal; accordingly the Count arrived here the 4th Instant, and possesses that Employment. The other Competitors cannot conceal their Dissatisfaction at the Count's Promotion. Advices from Hungary say, that Count Naidasti, Lieutenant General in the Emperor's Service, and Colonel of a Regiment of Hussars, is lately dead; a Courier has also brought an Account of the Death of General Count Batér, Governour of Charleroy, having died on his Journey thither, in order to take Possession of his Government; nevertheless his Corpse was conveyed to Charleroy under a Discharge of the Artillery, and is there buried. Letters from Breslau give an Account of the Death of Count de Neydhart, Vice President of the Imperial Chamber. It is generally reported here, that a new Alliance will be shortly concluded between his Imperial Majesty and four other Northern Potentates, exclusive of the Czar.

Paris, May 10. M. de Belrieu in his Letter of the 3d of May says, he had received Information that the Principality of Orange was in a very bad State of Health, and that seven or eight Places in it were looked upon to be infected. That from the 12th to the 21st of April 23 had died at Avignon, and as many had fallen ill; and that from the 21st to the 26th five or six Persons a Day had died there.

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His Majesty has been pleased to appoint the Reverend Dr. John Mandeville to be Dean of Peterborough.

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Yesterday South-Sea Stock was 86, 85 1/2; to 85 3/4. Bank 111. India 136. African 13, to 13 1/4. Unsubscribed Lottery Annuity 99 1/2. York Buildings 17 1/8th, 17 1/4. to 17 1/8th. Royal Exchange Assurance 5 1/8th. London Assurance 5. New Lottery Tickets 10 l. 10 s.

A Letter dated May 12, and signed J. A. having been sent to one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State: If the Person who wrote it will attend the said Secretary of State either at his Lordship's House or at his Office, the Conditions he desires shall be strictly complied with, and he shall receive all fitting Encouragement.

If the Person who wrote a Letter dated May 14, and signed T. B. directed to one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, will attend his Lordship either at his House or his Office, what the said T. B. requires shall be punctually observed, and he may depend upon receiving all proper Encouragement.

Whitehall, April 16, 1722.

This is to signify in His Majesty's Name, that if any Person or Persons shall hereafter apprehend any one or more Highwaymen, who from and after the Date hereof shall have robbed any of the Mails, or shall have been concerned as Accomplices in the robbing of any of them, such Person or Persons shall have a Reward of Two Hundred Pounds for each Offender, who shall be convicted thereof, to be paid by the Receiver-General of the Post-Office, over and above the Reward directed by Act of Parliament for apprehending of Highwaymen; or if any Person hereafter concerned in robbing any of the Mails shall make a Discovery of the same, so that his Accomplice or Accomplices shall be convicted thereof, such Person shall have His Majesty's most gracious Pardon, and also receive the Reward of Two Hundred Pounds for each Offender so convicted, to be paid as aforesaid.

CARTERET.

On Tuesday the 8th of May Instant, came on the Tryal of Mr. William Gerish, Merchant, at the Court of Exchequer, for having in his Custody several Pieces of East-India Wrought Silks, and other East-India Prohibited Goods; and, after a full Hearing, was cast in the Penalty of 200 l. being the Sum inflicted by Act of Parliament for that Offence, besides the Forfeiture of the Goods. N.B. It is hoped this will deter others from that pernicious Trade; who if caught will be prosecuted with the utmost Severity.

Pennsylvania Land Company in London.

Whereas several Receipts have been issued for Shares in the said Company, some of which have been surreptitiously obtained, and others fairly purchased; this therefore is to give Notice to all Persons possessed of such Receipts, for fair and valuable Considerations, that they apply themselves to the said Company's Agent at the Pennsylvania Coffee-house, any Thursday from 10 to 12 in the Morning, and from 3 to 5 in the Afternoon, (after the 6th of June next, till which Time the Books are shut) to take a Transfer for their respective Shares in the present Books, before the new Trustees chosen by the General Meeting take Place. NB. All fraudulent Receipts will be refused a Transfer.

The Proprietors of the Engine for Raising Water by the Help of Quicksilver, do hereby give Notice to such Gentlemen as are desirous to see what Quantity of Water can be rais'd by that Means, to what Height, and by what Power; that there is an Engine set up in Dr. Desaguliers's Yard, at his House in Channel Row, Westminster; where any Gentleman may see it perform from Three to Five a-Clock in the Afternoon, every Wednesday and Friday during this present Month of May and that of June next.

The Gentlemen concerned in the Limerick Wreck, are desired to meet at the Black Swan Tavern in Bartholomew-lane, next Wednesday, the 23d Instant, at Four in the Afternoon.

The Trustees appointed by the Act of Parliament for Repairing the Brentford Road, intend to meet on Saturday next, the 19th Instant, by Nine in the Morning, at the Led-Lyon in New-Brentford.

The Governours of St. Olave's Free-School in Southwark give Notice, that they intend to Let by Lease several Messuages or Tenements in Parish-street, in the Parish of St. Olave's, Southwark, now in the Possession of Eleanor Lucy, Anne Perry, Thomas Reynolds, John Wildgoose, Richard Hilton, Mary Ferrett, John Perry, Jacob Dawson, William Metrom, Aaron Holding, William Brock, William Bagnall, William Taylor, James Edwards, John Purkis, Richard Carter, Francis Whittpin, and Nicholas Willkinson; and that a Court of Governours will be held for that Purpose at the Vestry-Hall in Churchyard Alley, over-against St. Olave's Church, on Friday the 8th of June next, at Ten in the Forenoon, to receive Proposals for the said Premises; of which further Particulars may be had of Mr. John Willis, Warden, at his House in the Maze, in the said Parish of St. Olave.

AT the King's Theatre in the Hay-Market, this present Wednesday, being the 16th of May, will be perform'd the last new Opera call'd, CRISPUS. Pit and Boxes to be put together, and in regard to the Increase of the Numbers of Subscribers, no more than Three Hundred and Fifty Tickets will be delivered out, at Mrs. White's Chocolate-House in St. James's-Street, at Half a Guinea each. No Persons are to be admitted behind the Scenes. Gallery 5 s. To begin exactly at Six.

For the Benefit of Mr. Croft,

By His Majesty's Company of Comedians.

AT the Theatre Royal in Drury-lane, this present Wednesday, being the 16th of May, will be presented, A Play call'd, ORONOKO. The Part of Oronoko by Mr. Booth, Aboan Mr. Mills, Captain Driver Mr. Johnson, Daniel Mr. Penkethman, Imolda Mrs. Thurmond, Charlot Weldon Mrs. Younger. With select Pieces of Music between the Acts. Particularly a Concerto by Signior Carib-melli. And Dancing by Mr. Shaw, Mrs. Booth, and Mrs. Younger. Boxes 5 s. Pit 3 s. First Gallery. And To-morrow will be acted, A Comedy call'd, The Scornful Lady. For the Benefit of Mr. Wilks the Office-Keeper.

For the Benefit of Mr. Buck, Mrs. Cook, and Mrs. Gulick.

By the Company of Comedians.

AT the Theatre Royal in Lincoln's-Inn-Fields, this present Wednesday, being the 16th of May, will be acted a Comedy call'd, The Amorous Widow; or, the Wagon Wife. With Entertainments of Dancing by Mr. Lally, Mr. Newhouse, Mr. Pelling, and Mrs. Bullock. With a Dutch Burlesque and his Frow, by Mr. Newhouse and Mrs. Bullock. And To-morrow will be acted The Spanish Fryar. For the Benefit of Mr. Aston.

Notice is hereby given, That the Seventh

Class of the Utrecht Lottery begins Drawing on Thursday the 17th Instant, and those Persons that left their Tickets to be renewed at Hamlin's Coffee-house near the Royal-Exchange, may send their Receipts and take their Tickets into their own Possession. Tickets in the said Lottery continue to be sold at the aforesaid Place.

A very good well-finish'd House of Three

Rooms and Two Closets on a Floor, with Back Stairs, Kitchen and Offices out of Doors, several very good Vaults, to be Let or Sold, in Great George-street near Hanover-Square. Enquire at the Coffee-house at the Corner of the said Street.

To be LETT.

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To be LETT.

The Crane in Fleet-street, a good new-built House, and a good accustomed Linnendrapers Shop. Enquire at the said House.

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The History of the Reformation, and other Ecclesiastical Transactions in and about the Low-Countries, from the Beginning of the Eighth Century down to the famous Synod of Dort, inclusive. In which all the Revolutions that happened in Church and State, on Account of the Divisions between the Protestants and the Papists, the Arminians and Calvinists, are fairly and truly represented by the Reverend and Learned Mr. Gerard Brandt, late Professor of Divinity, and Minister to the Protestant Remonstrances at Amsterdam. Faithfully translated from the Original in Low-Dutch. Printed for John Nicks, at the White-Hart in St. Paul's Church-yard.

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